

Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims

Claim 1 (currently amended).

A transmission for a bicycle for re-installing ~~the~~ a chain in ~~the~~ a front chain wheel provided with two or more sheets of gear plates in the lateral direction of the bicycle and comprising ~~two guards, i.e.,~~ a main guard for shifting the chain from a middle diameter gear to a large diameter gear, and an auxiliary guard for shifting the chain from a small diameter gear to ~~a~~ the middle diameter gear, wherein the main guard is pivotally supported by a link mechanism for moving the guard in the lateral direction of the bicycle, and the auxiliary guard is ~~installed in~~ secured, in such a manner that the auxiliary guard is elastically displaceable with respect to the main guard, to the main guard ~~so as to be elastically displaceable~~ at a position in which the rear end side from the in back of a center of a seat pipe in a longitudinal direction of the bicycle where a ~~that is,~~ the lower end portion of the auxiliary guard pressing the chain is difficult to be displaced or deformed when the chain is shifted from the small diameter gear ~~is shifted to the middle diameter gear, cannot be easily displaced or deformed~~.

Claim 2 (previously presented).

The transmission for a bicycle according to Claim 1, wherein the main guard and the auxiliary guard are respectively positioned radially up and down with respect to the shaft axis of the front chain wheel.

Claim 3 (cancelled).

Claim 4 (currently amended).

The transmission for a bicycle according to Claim 1, wherein the auxiliary guard is ~~installed in~~ secured to the main guard by a pin ~~or welding means~~.

Claim 5 (previously presented).

The transmission for a bicycle according to Claim 4, wherein the auxiliary guard is formed from a displaceable elastic body.

Claim 6 (currently amended).

The transmission for a bicycle according to Claim 1, wherein the auxiliary guard is a rigid body ~~installed on~~ secured to the main guard by a pin ~~or the like~~ through the ~~an~~ elastic body.

Claim 7 (cancelled).